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HONGKONG industrialists have good reason to feel satisfied with the success that has attended the Colony's representation at the British Industries Fair this year. Our London correspondent's analysis shows that not only were a record number of enquiries made at the Hongkong stand, but that it attracted more buyers' interest than any other part of the Commonwealth section. This is the sort of fillip our manufacturers have been needing, more especially as they have been watching the growing strength of Japanese light industries with suspicion, amounting almost to dread. At the BIF this year, however, they have succeeded in impressing British and other buyers with the excellent quality and competitive prices of local textile manufacturers, enamelware and other commodities. Valuable lessons appear also to have been learnt in marketing methods, while there seems to be little doubt that by striving for a more attractive display of wares at the BIF, many exhibitors were able to capture more readily the interest of visiting purchasers to the Fair.

THE paper gains which the Colony's manufacturers made at the Earl's Court exhibition have now to be consolidated to the fullest possible extent. It is necessary that every effort should be made to hold the interest which purchasers displayed in the exhibits and to persuade them to make firm orders for those products which captured their attention. The United Kingdom Trade Commissioner's Office, the London office of the Hongkong Government, and British agents of Hongkong firms can all play a useful part to this end. It is generally conceded that the BIF demonstrated that sales resistance has grown during the past year, and that it is not a simple task to market commodities. Nevertheless, it has been satisfactorily proved that the Colony's manufacturers have something which world buyers desire and for which they are prepared to enter negotiations. Our principal light industries are now presented with a new opportunity of expanding their trade. They will succeed if they are prepared to carry out a full-blooded sales campaign wherever the most favourable markets exist, and so long as they fulfil orders faithfully according to specifications.

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THE efforts of the Hongkong branch of the British Red Cross Society to establish a blood bank here deserve spontaneous and generous support. The Director of Medical Services has made transparently clear the urgent necessity for what he has called this "life-saving physiological product." The Colony cannot afford to lag behind other parts of the world in this respect. Blood transfusions will save as many lives here as they do elsewhere, but unless the blood is available on demand the danger of lives being lost is seriously increased. The people of Hongkong are now being asked to come forward and register their names as voluntary blood donors, and we heartily commend the appeal to the community. The very knowledge that such a donation may be the means of saving a life imperilled by the loss of blood should be sufficient to guarantee a ready and substantial response.

More Trouble At Koje Island Anticipated

ADDITIONAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS TAKEN

Koje Island, May 19.

The new commandant of the troublesome Koje Island prison camp predicted new disorders today as troops of the crack 187th airborne regiment mounted guard in a sudden shift to reinforce the camp's security.

Brigadier-General Haydon Boatner, who took over the command five days ago from Brigadier-General Charles Colson, said, "With 70,000 hysterical prisoners, it is almost certain that there will be minor incidents. But I positively believe, hope and pray that I will be able to re-establish control without any bloodshed."

Despite the troop reinforcements and the stationing of tanks in the vicinity, most of the rebellious compound's prisoners still appeared to be running things largely to suit themselves.

Communist flags still flew and United Nations personnel still had not entered Compound-76, where leaders of other compounds refused to comply with orders to return to their own enclosures.

The Communists were assembled in Compound-76 to take part in negotiations leading to the release of Brigadier-General Francis Dodd, whom they had kidnapped and held hostage inside the compound.

Tanks guarded three compounds where Red prisoners held a peaceful mass meeting on Sunday, while in another section of the island, the part-troops established their tent after flying from Japan in a move to reinforce the camp guard.

Gen. Boatner said he had not asked for reinforcements, but was "certainly pleased" to have them.

The soldiers were busy setting up additional barbed wire barricades around the camp enclosures.

Gen. Boatner said the United Nations Civil Assistance Commission of Korea is taking a census of persons living on the island and those who do not belong or who arrived after a certain date would be removed to strengthen the security of the prison camps.

MADE CHOICE

Some war prisoners left on Koje Island may not want to return to North Korea although they are listed as discharged Communists who have made their choice.

Colonel Maurice Fitzgerald, deputy camp commander, explained that during a screening of prisoners to see whether they wanted to be repatriated, a considerable number of them did not specify their choice personally.

Col. Fitzgerald said, "They kept silent and spokesmen told screening officers that silence meant that the prisoners wanted to be sent back to North Korea." There have been numerous instances, even in the last week, of prisoners trying to escape from their compounds not to gain freedom from their guards, but flee from the Communists inside the prison.

"I do not see how screening prisoners can be a foolproof way to sort out Communists and anti-Communists," said the officer of this island prison. "When and if they say they want to do one thing, you cannot be sure they are not being forced to say it." Many of the Chinese prisoners who have chosen repatriation are believed to be anti-Communist or at worst lukewarm Reds. Their decision to return to North Korea was believed to be based in some cases on the desire to see their families. Of about 5,000 Chinese left on the island, most of them are older than the average soldier and frequently physically unfit.

CLEARING COMPOUNDS

Only 17 of the 37 compounds are now occupied. Others which housed prisoners who chose to stay in Allied hands are being cleared of rubbish. Some prisoners may be moved into these compounds from other overcrowded enclosures. Each of the compounds is run by a group of prisoners. The guards have little or no control over what goes on inside. The prisoners have ruled the Russian, Chinese and North Korean flags, painted signs and built stoves here. They sometimes are using tent poles instead of flags.

ROME IN UPROAR

Riot Squads Fight Neo-Fascists

Rome, May 18.

Thousands of neo-Fascist youths kept the city area of Rome in an uproar for almost two hours tonight, until steel-helmeted riot squads forced them off the streets with swinging batons and fire hoses.

Dozens of youngsters were taken out of a compound to dump garbage trash. Two guards accompany each detail. Only a few of the prisoners are now used for work details outside the compounds.

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Woman's Lone Atlantic Voyage

Plymouth, May 18.

A 38-year-old widow sailed today on board a 23-foot yacht for Florida with 10 weeks' supply of food and the determination to become the first woman to cross the Atlantic by sea alone.

Mrs. Ann Davidson, who says "I must be mad," is driven on by what she deems a challenge and an irrefragable urge. For three years ago she and her husband set sail in a 70-foot ketch for the West Indies. After 19 days of gales and misadventure, the ship was lost in a Southwesterly. Her husband was drowned.

This time she left in a two-ton, 23-foot Bermudan-rigged yacht, the *Felicity Ann*. Her first objective is Madeira, thence Casablanca and the West Indies. The latest meteorological report promises 200 miles of trouble-free sailing before running into bumpy weather.

"WOMAN DRIVER"

The yacht carries between 80 and 100 gallons of diesel oil for her five-hp auxiliary engine. Mrs. Davidson, an attractive woman who can smile when she says she worries about being called a "woman driver" by captains of ocean liners, admits she could fly to America much faster and more comfortably. She brushed aside, in a newspaper interview, any thought of attempting the trip to uphold feminine prestige. She just feels she has to make up for the failure last time and the disaster to her life. As for clothes, Mrs. Davidson is taking one change and a set of "skinies." — Associated Press.

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"Celere" riot police, riding in jeeps, were finally ordered out to break up the demonstrations. At one point, speeding police vehicles ran up on to the pavements and rushed crowds away from the main streets.

Across the town, at the Piazza San Giovanni, another throng gathered but, in contrast to the neo-Fascist rally, it dispersed without trouble.

The neo-Fascists started to demonstrate after an estimated 75,000 of them had attended a political rally at which a Party leader, Deputy Roberto Mervill, addressed them, bitterly attacking the government of Premier Alcide De Gasperi.

Every mention of the Christian Democrat Premier's name was loudly booed by the crowd. Demonstrators then paraded down the central Corso boulevard, singing Fascist hymns. By 9.30 p.m., city streets were jammed with demonstrators and the jeeps of the "Celere" riot squad. Ten jeeps of steel-helmeted riot police broke up the crowd of some 3,000 neo-Fascists.

The specially-equipped police hose carts began appearing and spraying the crowds in an attempt to break them up. Demonstrators quickly broke into small groups before the police troops and sought refuge under the Galleria, a massive building near the Piazza Colonna with street-level arcades where the jeeps could not enter.

A detachment of Federal police with locked rifles quickly pushed them back onto the open street. Innocent Sunday night strollers were caught in the melee in sidewalks or sprayed with water. The demonstrators showed tenacity for some time, regrouping and shouting insults. — United Press.

Mansion On Fire

Selby, Yorkshire, May 18. Osgodby Hall, 12th century 20-room mansion near Selby, was badly damaged by fire today. The occupants were safely evacuated. — Reuters.

First TV Schools



Six schools in Middlesex have been chosen to receive the world's first experimental television programmes for schools, which are being broadcast daily by the BBC for four weeks. The Schools Broadcasting Council will assess the results of the experiment to decide whether they justify the setting up of a national schools TV service next year. Picture shows children at a TV lesson in one of the Middlesex schools. — Central Press photo.

Terrorists Active In Tunisia

Tunis, May 18.

Tunisian terrorists struck twice in broad daylight today.

A French girl was wounded twice in the chest when a burst of machine-gun fire hit the car in which she was travelling in the port of Gabes, 170 miles south of here.

At Sfax, 30 miles north of Gabes, a nationalist bomb wrecked the central Post Office but caused no casualties.

The new attack came as the French authorities announced a major concession—lifting of the dusk-to-dawn curfew to coincide with the start of Ramadan, the major Muslim feast, on May 25.

Violence continued despite the appeal for calm issued by the Bey of Tunis last week. It also blunted the effect of the talks between the Bey and the French Cabinet Minister, M. Emmanuel Temple, who came to press for speed in settling the Tunisian crisis.

French sources said reports that the United States had been critical of French policy in the Protectorate during the recent diplomatic talks spread like a prairie fire throughout Tunisia, despite the strict censorship imposed under martial law.

Nationalists claimed this was the "new development" forecast by their leaders on May 1 and started a new wave of daily terrorism in defiance of the rigid police and military restrictions. — United Press.

Chinese Pilot Missing

Penang, May 18.

A Chinese pilot of the Penang Fighter Squadron of the Malayan Auxiliary Air Force, Allan Leong, is reported missing on Sunday after his Harvard training aircraft plunged into the sea off Penang.

Scores of holiday makers gasped in horror as the plane dived below the surface. RAF planes and boats searched the spot but by nightfall there was no sign of the sunken plane or its pilot. — Associated Press.

Snail Rain Makes Roads Impassable

Algiers, May 18.

Rain, laden with tiny snails, fell over a wide area near Oran during a freak storm near Oran yesterday. The fall was so thick that some roads were impassable over an area of two square miles. Several motorists were forced to pull up in the slippery going. — Reuters.

Mossadeh Decides To Resign



Tehran, May 18. The Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammad Mossadeh, has decided to resign after the hearing of the Anglo-Iranian Oil dispute by the International Court in The Hague in two weeks, informants close to the Premier stated today.

They said he would resign whether the Court's verdict favoured Iran or not.

As the man who led the movement to nationalise the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company on May 1, 1951, using the withdrawal of British technicians and halting of oil production in Abadan, Dr. Mossadeh considers his "oil mission" ended now that the matter is going before the International Court, the informants said.

He will either resign directly after the International Court hearing and go to Switzerland for a rest, or will return to Iran and resign after reporting to Parliament.

The brief for Dr. Mossadeh to present to the International Court is complete and he will leave Tehran at the end of the week. But it now seems certain he will not go with a vote of confidence from the Majlis to support him at the Court as he wished.

The Majlis has not yet settled the question of the Deputies' credentials, for which several sessions would be needed. Dr. Mossadeh's visit to The Hague is necessary before the credentials matter comes up. — United Press.

Pinay's Party Gains In French Senatorial Elections

Paris, May 18.

The Prime Minister's Party scored the biggest gains in the Senatorial elections today as the nation shied away from General Charles de Gaulle and gave the Government Partis a majority.

Final returns from 36 Departments in France, in which 124 Senators were chosen, disclosed that M. Antoine Pinay's Independents and Peasants gained the most, while General de Gaulle's fading Rally of the French People (RPF) was the worst loser.

The Ministry of the Interior said results for 32 seats from 14 overseas Departments would not be known until tomorrow morning. The Minister of the Interior, in announcing the results, refused to give statistics on seat distribution.

M. Pinay today thus scored a triumph over his most dangerous rival and may have delivered the coup de grace to the RPF, whose popularity is fast dissolving.

It was 27 votes from dissident de Gaulleists that brought M. Pinay to power on March 9, and his triumph today enhances his hopes of successfully getting through the Assembly session when the Deputies reconvene on May 20.

CONFIDENCE VOTE

Today's vote, while not being a ballot by the electorate, nonetheless was a vote of confidence for Premier Pinay in his first test of strength at the polls.

The Senatorial colleges, composed of locally-elected officials, reflect accurately the "grass roots" sentiments of the population and the results today confirmed what public opinion polls have been saying—that the country likes the business-like programme of price stabilisation through free enterprise.

The Popular Republicans (MRP), with nine seats at stake, were elected to 13 and lost none, winning four. Their showing was a big surprise. The MRP is left of Centre on all issues except religion, where it follows the conservative Catholic approach. The MRP result may have an effect in coming weeks since it comes at a time when there is increasing opposition to the "European" policies of the Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, a member of the Party. The MRP forms the Left Wing of Premier Pinay's coalition and underlines the defeat of the RPF, which is considered extreme Right. — United Press.

Switch House Explosion

Kilmarnock, May 18.

Four men were killed and four injured in an explosion in the switch house of a power station here today.

Electric current was cut off over a wide area of Scotland, and early estimates said it will be at least 24 hours before it is restored.

Before the explosion an electric cable came down about two miles from Kilmarnock. It is believed that the switch, intended to open and break the current when a fault occurred outside, failed to work and exploded.

There were five men in the switch house at the time. Four were killed and three working nearby were burned by oil set alight by the explosion. George McGill of Kilmarnock was standing on a building overlooking the switch house when it went up.

"As I staggered back I saw pieces of glass from the roof fly past me," he said. "I saw men crawling out through the shattered metal door of the room, their clothes on fire. Some had hardly any clothes left on them. We got hold of fire extinguishers and tried to put out the flames on their clothing." — Reuters.

Express Derailed

San Diego, May 18.

The southbound express from San Diego to Tolucahuco was derailed today by a horse on the line near Longview. The engine and three coaches overturned. The driver was killed, and three people were badly hurt. — Reuters.

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AUSTERITY PLAN PREPARED FOR INDO-CHINA

Saigon, May 19.

The new French High Commissioner and Resident Minister in Indo-China, M. Jean Letourneau, who arrived here recently, has an austerity programme for Vietnam State and a plan for a National Assembly.

The austerity programme, which emphasises that France is now nearing the limit of her financial capacity to aid Vietnam, calls on the Vietnamese to increase production, cut down expenditure, contribute more to the common effort against the Communist-led Vietminh rebels, and speed up the development of the Vietnamese National Army.

The plan for a Vietnam National Assembly, which was drawn up by the Minister for the Associated States in Paris, envisages the official French view of the kind of National Assembly that is possible under present conditions in Vietnam.

The French view is that at first Vietnam should have a nominated chamber—elections being, the French consider, impossible in the present state of the country—functions, and without financial, legislative or diplomatic powers.

Last February, Bao Dai, head of the Vietnam State, rejected a similar project put forward by Premier Tran Van Huu's Government. This called for an 85-member Assembly, 40 members to be elected by universal suffrage and 45 to be nominated by Bao Dai himself. The project would have ensured a majority for Bao Dai's supporters, regardless of the results of the elections.

Bao Dai, on the other hand, is known to favour an entirely elected chamber, and he has recently been studying a project drawn up by his Cabinet, under which general elections would lead to a National Assembly with legislative and financial powers.

TOO SECLUDED

Well-informed sources believe M. Letourneau has strongly advised the head of State to withdraw from his self-imposed seclusion at Dai, his mountain retreat 140 miles north-east of Saigon, and at his hunting station at Ban Methot, 90 miles to the north-west, and play a more active part in the political life of his country, making himself better known to his people by speeches and "personal appearances."

The French High Commissioner is understood to have lost no time on his visits to Bao Dai and the Vietnam Premier explaining the French official view on the problem facing the State.

He is believed to have amplified in detail the real meaning of the remarks he first made on arrival when he stepped to a microphone at the beflagged airport here and said:

"In an hour when France, though aided by generous help from the United States, has reached the limit of her means, austerity is a moral obligation

for all individuals in Indo-China." M. Letourneau has been making a flying tour of his new territory since his arrival, as he has overall military as well as civil powers in the Associated States of Indo-China.

MANY PROBLEMS

Though he will not play as active a part in the military situation in Indo-China as his predecessor, the late Marshal de Lattre de Tassigny, his many problems include unremitting prosecution of the war of attrition against the well-organised and well-supplied Vietminh rebels in the Tonkin delta.

To aid him in his task, the High Commissioner has a youthful and energetic team of five advisers, ready to handle problems of long-term importance as well as of immediate urgency.

Led by M. Raymond Janot, his personal "Cabinet" averages barely over 31 years of age and most of them are more than six feet tall—an imposing team. Though youth is the keynote of M. Letourneau's administration, there is plenty of experience behind it. M. Janot, chief of the High Commissioner's staff, was economic adviser to the late Marshal de Lattre and adviser to various ministries in Paris for some years.

The Minister himself, with his balding head and comfortable figure, looks perhaps 10 years older than his 44 years, but has all the energy of his young assistants. His task demands it. —Reuter.

New Canberra Minister

Canberra, May 12. Mr C. W. J. Falkinder, who recently threatened to resign from the Liberal (Government) Party over an ex-Servicemen's housing issue, will be replaced as Minister of the Interior by Mr Reginald William Swartz, the Deputy Government Whip.

Announcing this today, the Acting Prime Minister, Sir Arthur Fadden, said that the appointment was made before the Prime Minister, Mr Robert Menzies, left Australia on his overseas tour.

Mr Falkinder threatened to resign if more money were not made available for re-housing ex-Servicemen, but he subsequently withdrew his decision. —Reuter.

Guerilla Activity In Korea

Pusan, May 10.

At least 2,500 Communist-led irregulars still roam South Korea raiding villages and United Nations convoys, the Defence Ministry disclosed.

They escaped the two-Division army clean-up operation last December, surviving attacks which, officials claimed, killed 11,000 and brought about the capture of 9,000.

In recent weeks, however, new guerrilla raids have been reported. The worst was an attack on Halseo, a city of 70,000 about 70 miles west of here.

Some 120 armed irregulars were reported to have set fire to 20 major buildings and battled police for control of the city during a pro-draw raid. The reinforcements rushed from nearby centres counter-attacked and drove off the raiders. Headquarters said two civilians were killed. Casualties suffered by police and inflicted on guerrillas were not released.

A South Korean intelligence officer described the raid as one of the biggest since Communist reinforced local bands at the beginning of the Korean war.

He estimated that 1,400 armed and 1,300 unarmed guerrillas still roamed the isolated mountain regions. Because bands of irregulars moved quickly, and mingled with village populations when police approached, the actual number might be much higher, he said.

MASTER MIND

A Communist said to mastermind the bigger guerrilla attacks, Lee Hyon Sang, is still at large. It is believed that the thinnest ranks of his irregulars have found reinforcements by kidnapping youths from isolated villages.

After "Operation Rathole" last December, the army released 5,000 men who had proved that they were terrorised into joining the guerrillas.

A Government spokesman said guerrilla bands were formed from four main sources of manpower—Communists who had infiltrated into South Korea from the North before the war started; the Korean stragglers left behind in the confused fighting of the first months of the Korean war; South Korean bandits and "volunteers," and youths impressed into their ranks.

The Korean Defence Ministry claims that village support of irregulars has dwindled to almost negligible proportions. But observers believe that until the Korean war ends and enough armed forces become available to carry out a sustained campaign against the guerrillas, they will continue to be a dangerous nuisance. —Reuter.

Indians' Visit To Yugoslavia

Belgrade, May 18.

Five members of an Indian Socialist Party delegation headed by a member of the Hindu Socialist Party Political Bureau, Mr Ansari, arrived today of Skopje in Macedonia.

The delegation was invited to Yugoslavia by the Foreign Relations Committee of the Yugoslav Communist Party and was greeted by the Yugoslav Assistant Foreign Affairs Minister and former Ambassador to New Delhi, M. Josip Bjoraj, and other Yugoslav personalities. —France-Press.



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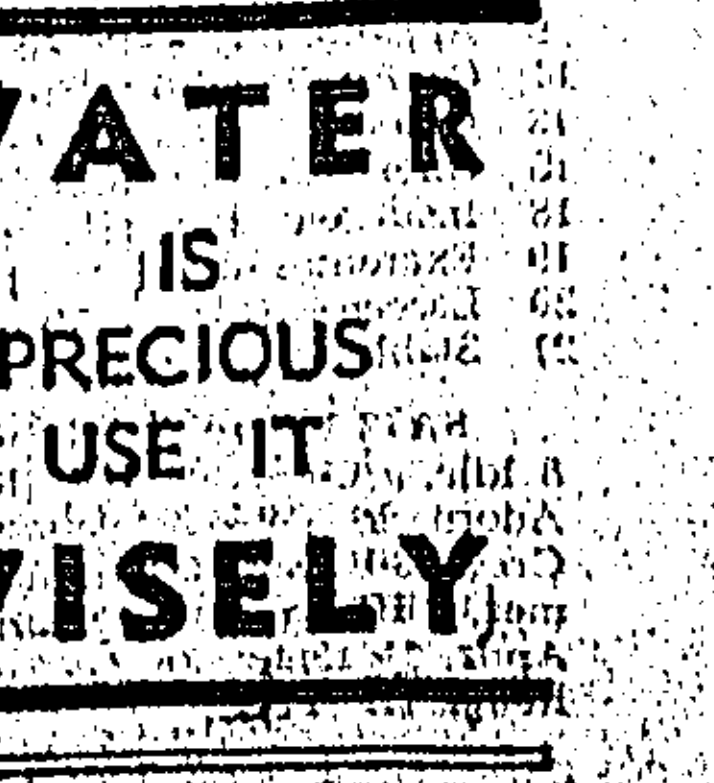
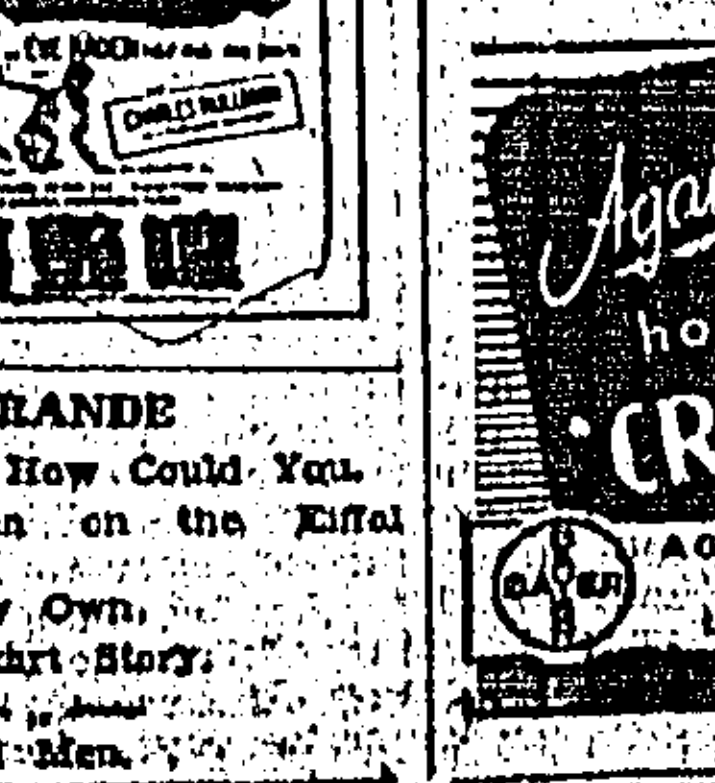
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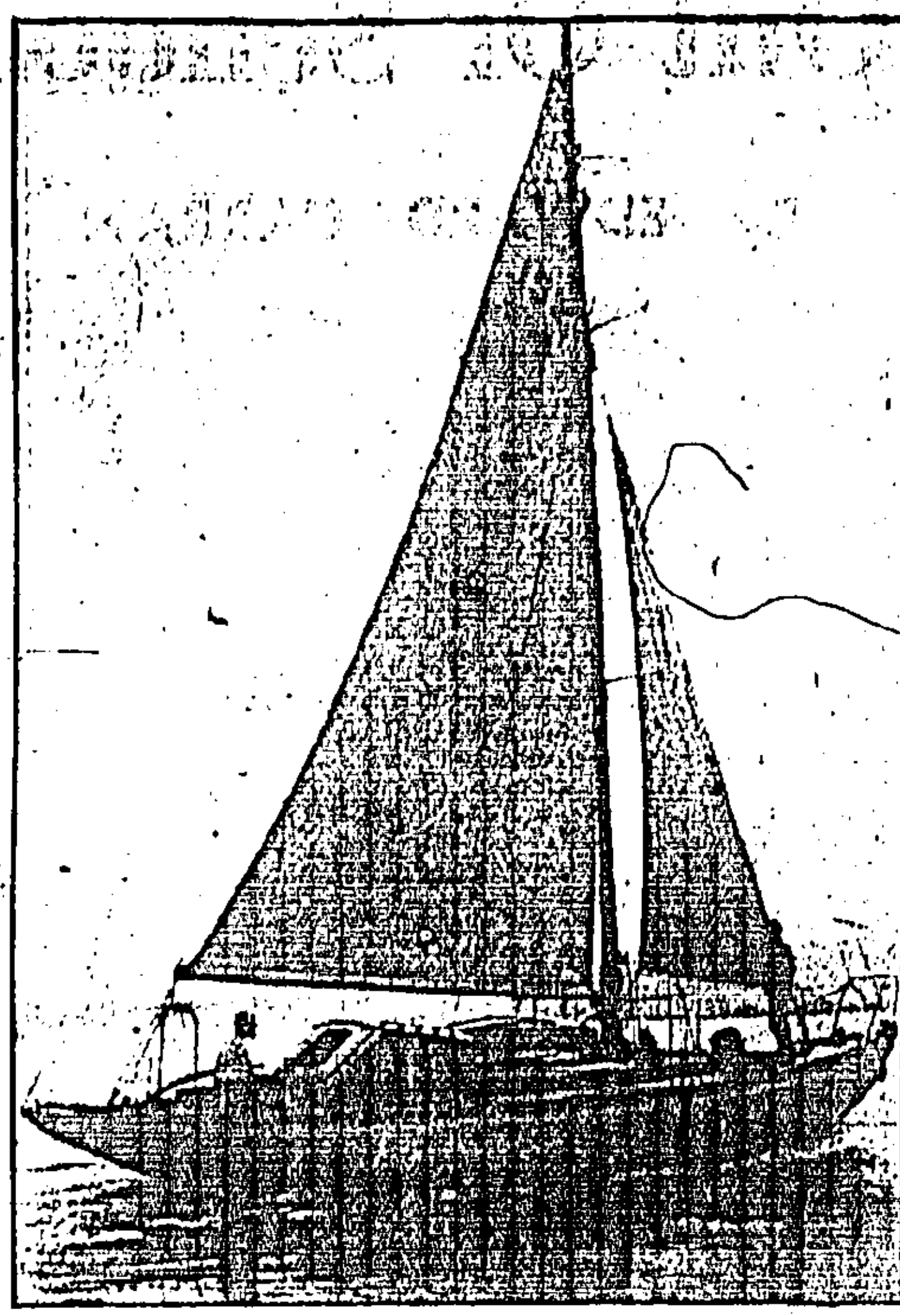
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The yacht 'Catania' leaving Plymouth on an attempt to sail the Atlantic. On board are Edward Allard, who has made a previous crossing, and an American, Norman Fowler. —Reuterphoto.

Allies Hoping To Sign German Treaty This Week

Bonn, May 19.

Eight Western Governments today begin a hectic week's activity, during which they hope to sign the agreements freeing West Germany from occupation and setting up a European Defence Community with its own army.

Under the treaties, West Germany will be raised from the status of a defeated occupied country to that of a free nation and a partner in the Western defence system.

She is expected to contribute 12 divisions to the new European army.

For the first time in world history, Britain, France and most of Germany will then be tied together in a formal network of alliances.

Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, will spend today trying to settle finally with the Allied High Commissioners all but one of the outstanding points in the 400-page treaty ending the occupation.

The treaty will be implemented in the form of "contractual agreements" signed by West Germany with each of the "Big Three" Western Powers — Britain, France and the United States.

It is hoped that only one point, dealing with finance, will be left for settlement by the three Foreign Ministers — Mr Dean Acheson (United States), Mr Anthony Eden (Britain) and Mr Robert Schuman (France) — when they meet Dr Adenauer in Strasbourg on Thursday or Friday.

Foreign Ministers of the five other countries joining the European Defence Community will meet to prepare the European Defence Community treaty for signing within ten days.

DISPUTED CLAUSES
West Germany will be represented by the chief of her Foreign Office, Professor Walter Hallstein.

In Bonn, Chancellor Adenauer has already overcome after protracted talks, most of the opposition of his own Parliamentary supporters to the contractual agreements ending the occupation.

Of the 30 amendments for which he asked the Allies as a result of these talks, 23 could be agreed on without difficulty, but usually reliable sources today. Of the seven other points, four are solved or on the way to solution and three are still open.

They include the emergency clause. The original agreed clause allowed Allied field commanders to declare a state of emergency in certain circumstances, and if the emergency lasted more than 30 days, the German Government could appeal to the NATO Council. Dr Adenauer wants the German Government to have the sole right to take emergency steps after the first two years.

Another of the points still open concerns finance. It is agreed that West Germany should contribute 850,000,000 Marks a month to Western defence, partly in support of Allied troops in Germany and partly in raising her own 12 divisions. The Germans estimate that the 12 divisions would cost all this, while the Allies estimate it at 1,000,000,000 Marks a month.

ADENAUER ACCUSED
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Queen Returns
To London

The Queen, the Queen Mother and Princess Margaret photographed as they arrived at Buckingham Palace after their holiday at Windsor. —Central Press Photo.

Indian Party In S. Africa May Defy Minister

Johannesburg, May 18.

The South African Indian Congress and the African National Congress, at their joint meeting at Port Elizabeth on May 31, will decide whether to defy the recent edicts of Minister of Justice Charles Swart ordering some officials of the two organisations to resign and restricting their movements.

This was disclosed to Reuter today by a high official of the South African Indian Congress.

He said: "Originally the meeting was called to decide on methods of struggle against unjust laws in the Union."

The struggle formally began with mass demonstrations on April 6, and a joint meeting was called to decide on practical steps, he added.

Since the date of the meeting was set, Mr Swart had issued orders to several non-European, ordering them to resign from the organisation and to remain in restricted areas for periods of up to two years.

Among those who received notices were Dr Yusuf Mohamed Dadoo, President of the South African Indian Congress, who

was called upon to resign and remain in Transvaal Province for two years.

Among South African Congress members who received similar notices were Moses Klatane, member of the National Executive, and David Bopape, Secretary of the Transvaal Province branch of the Congress, the official said. Both have been restricted to Transvaal for two years.

It was not yet known whether the three will obey the ban, which comes into effect on May 28.

APPEAL ISSUED
Tonight Dr Dadoo issued an appeal to the United Democratic Front (joint body of the United and Labour Parties and the Torch Commando) to include in their opposition to the Government all national organisations of non-Europeans "on a basis of full democratic rights in an all-out struggle to stop the Nationalist Fascists."

Dr Dadoo said that hesitation to build this alliance "will be a great and unfortunate betrayal of the future of South Africa."

The first duty of all people, he added, was to assist the Government from office.

"Firm and resolute action must be taken now," he declared. "The Parliamentary struggle is played out and people must act and express in tangible form their opposition to the anti-democratic actions of the Government."

"It is the duty of every citizen to obey laws, but when certain laws defy the rule of law and are contrary to the principles of civil liberty, then these laws are bad, unjust, and immoral, and cannot be tolerated by the people. The people have no alternative but to defy these laws." —Reuter.

Help Given To Tito
London, May 18.
The Belgrade newspaper Politika said today that Yugoslavia had received \$24,000,000 worth of help from the United States since the second World War.

The sum is far smaller than aid received by many other countries from the United States, Politika said in a dispatch circulated by the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug.

"Bearing in mind the attitude of Yugoslavia, when the freedom and independence of her people are in question, the United States and other countries are extending aid to Yugoslavia without making any political or other demands."

"Yugoslavia accepts this aid only under such conditions," United Press.

Red China's Latest On Germ War
Shenyang (Mukden), May 18.
The Chinese Vice-Premier Kuo Mo-Jo, told a Press Trust of India correspondent today it was "impossible to find a group of people who will be acceptable to both China and the United States to investigate germ warfare in Korea."

He was commenting on suggestions of an "impartial commission" acceptable to both sides to investigate the charges.

China would welcome a commission of scientists, lawyers and journalists whose "miracles" would be a mirror which reflects what it sees," Kuo Mo-Jo said. But he added that such a group would not be acceptable to America if it was prepared to speak impartially.

"We believe there are many such people who are on the side of righteousness," he said. Their impartiality must be accepted by world opinion, and not by a few small groups. He would welcome Indian scientists to participate in such a group. —Reuter.

RED OFFICERS CAPTURED
Hanoi, May 18.
Three officers were among 74 Viet Minh prisoners taken by the French-Vietnamese forces in the course of mopping up operations 80 kilometres southeast of Hanoi.

Arms sufficient to equip a Viet Minh battalion were captured, including light machine-guns, two recoilless guns and automatic weapons.

French air attack continued throughout the day on Viet Minh territory northwest of Hanoi in the Phu Tho area. —Reuter.

Danes Deport
Russians

Copenhagen, May 18.

Twenty-eight Russian seamen, who were to take over a trawler being built here, have been deported by the Danish police.

The police said the seamen wanted to go on board at once and live on the vessel though it was not ready. They had no visas or passports.

Last week, other Russian seamen took over another trawler but their papers were in order. —Reuter.

NEW SNAGS
IN BERLIN

Berlin, May 18.

East German state railway authorities announced today a summer train schedule which, in effect, cuts West Berlin out of the East German railway system.

Goods trains will skirt the Western sectors, where 2,000,000 people live by using a line completed only last summer.

Passengers for West Berlin will have to disembark at suburban stations on the East Berlin perimeter and take local overhead trains into the city.

Allied officials said tonight that the East Germans and Russians could now blockade West Berlin with less fear of retaliation. But they discounted fears of a blockade.

The threat of interrupting East German canal and rail transport has been a powerful weapon in Allied hands.

Completion of a new canal this summer around West Berlin will make East Germany independent of Western goodwill. —Reuter.

Supertax Rejected
Bern, May 18.
In a referendum today, the Swiss people rejected a Socialist motion that the country's defence programme should be financed by a supertax on persons with fortunes above 50,000 francs. About 53 per cent of the electorate voted. —Reuter.

ROYAL NAVY'S
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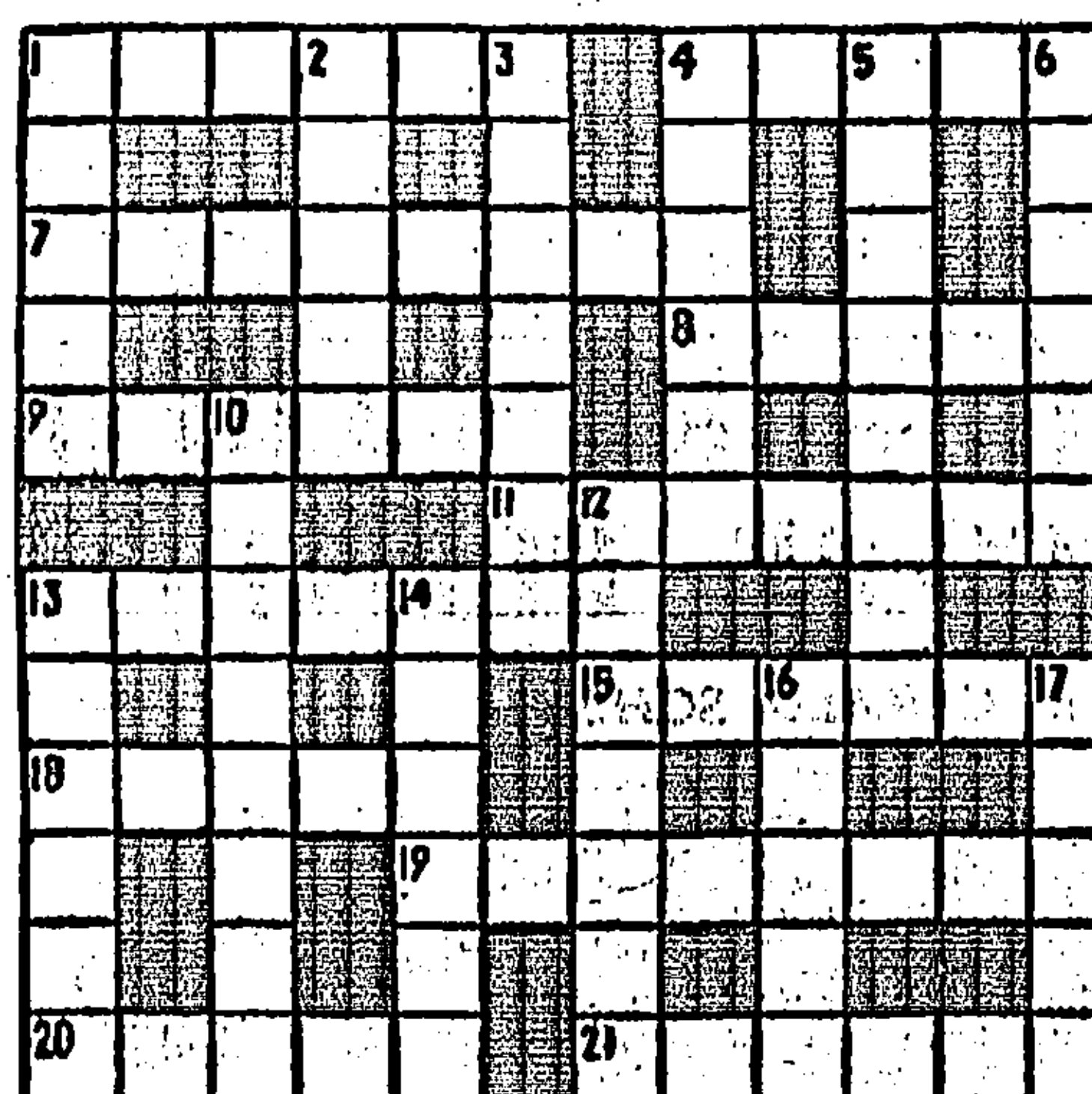
London, May 19.

As a "Thank you" gesture to the film industry in Britain, which gives the Royal Naval Film Corporation advice and assistance in making instructional films, the Navy gets as "hosts" each year in one of Her Majesty's ships to 50 film technicians.

This year, for the first time, the guests will go to sea.

On Thursday, technicians will embark at Harwich in the destroyer Opportune bound for Chatham. En route the ship will be "attacked" by motor torpedo boats, motor gunboats and aircraft of the Royal Air Force Fighter Command. —Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
1 Frank (6).
2 Tree (5).
3 Lift (6).
4 Territory (5).
5 Appellations (6).
6 Confused (7).
7 Objection (7).
8 Offer (6).
9 Insurgent (5).
10 Examines carefully (8).
11 Larceny (5).
12 Stable (6).
- DOWN**
1 Box (5).
2 Evil spirit (5).
3 Leathes (7).
4 Unfruitful (6).
5 Recollected (8).
6 Injured (6).
7 Musical instrument (8).
8 Bears witness (7).
9 Allow (6).
10 Join up (6).
11 Relative (5).
12 Out of practice (5).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 1. Ape, 4. Breadth, 8. Idle, 9. Glum, 10. Evident, 11. Mine, 12. 37, 14. Dastard, 17. Adam, 19. Tenon, 20. Extract, 21. Lane, 22. Cite, 23. Point, 24. Crew, 25. Debt, 26. Secured, 27. Bash, 28. Down: 2. Pallid, 3. Slimmer, 4. Blend, 5. Raveled, 6. Audit, 7. Tender, 8. Fair, 9. Loot, 10. Anna, 11. Dine, 12. Accede, 13. Elect, 14. Onset, 15. Ripe, 16. Ring, 17. 25, 18. 11.

Israelis Turn To Russia For Oil Supply

Jerusalem, May 18.

Israel is to buy oil from Russia, Israeli Foreign Office sources said today.

An agreement to import Soviet oil and oil derivatives was understood to have been reached, following the failure of the Anglo-Israeli financial talks in London, which affected Israel's oil supplies.

Negotiations broke down in London when the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Butler, refused Israel's request for credits to buy British-owned crude oil to be refined at the Haifa Consolidated Refineries.

Up to the present, Israel has purchased only paraffin from Russia.

Today, the Israeli Cabinet discussed the fuel situation and it is expected that petroleum will shortly be rationed.

Israel has also approached Russia for supplies of wheat and other cereals. Russia in turn has asked Israel for 20,000 tons of citrus, which would make the Soviet Union the world's second largest importer of citrus.

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Australians' Peking Trip Deplored

Canberra, May 18.

The Australian External Affairs Minister, Mr R. G. Casey, tonight deplored very much the Australian decision to attend the forthcoming Peking "peace conference", which he described as the "usual Communist stunt."

In Sydney, one of the five, Dr John West Burton, former Australian High Commissioner in Ceylon, rejected a demand by Mr Arthur Calwell, Deputy Leader of the Federal Parliamentary Labour Party, that he resign from the party.

Dr Burton, an endorsed Labour candidate for the Federal Parliament, believed the conference was a genuine attempt to break the stalemate in Korea.

The Peking announcement said a preliminary meeting would be held in the Chinese capital on May 28 to draw up plans for a conference.

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Eisenhower Overhauling Senator Taft

TRIUMPH IN OREGON

New York, May 18.

General Dwight Eisenhower today closed up to Senator Robert Taft in the race for the Republican Presidential nomination with a primary election victory in Oregon and strong support from Republicans in Vermont.

General Eisenhower captured all of Oregon's 18 Republican convention delegates in Friday's primaries, incomplete returns showed today.

With two-thirds of the popularity poll counted he had about 70 per cent of the Republican votes. Senator Taft did not enter the primary but received some "write-in" votes.

In the Democratic camp, "Crime Busting" Senator Kefauver of Tennessee, with no active opposition, received 74 per cent of the Democratic vote and took all the State's 12 Democratic delegates.

The unwilling candidates, Governor Stevenson of Illinois and Supreme Court Justice William C. Douglas, shared what was left of the Democratic vote.

The latest unofficial count from 1,410 of the State's 2,289 districts was: — Republican, General Eisenhower, 97,439; Governor Earl Warren of California, 13,820; General Douglas MacArthur, 12,726; Senator Wayne Morse, 4,491; Mr Harold Stassen, 3,372; Senator Taft, 2,838 (write-in).

Democratic Senator Kefauver, 80,289; Justice Douglas, 16,538 and Governor Stevenson, 11,764.

UNIQUE ACTION
Meanwhile, in Vermont, the State's Republican convention gave all 12 delegate places to candidates pledged to General Eisenhower.

Traditionally Vermont sends its delegates to the National Convention unpledged and without instructions, but its soon as the delegate result was announced the Convention approved a resolution binding the group to General Eisenhower.

The latest independent tabulations of delegations pledged, instructed or willing to express a preference showed: Republican (604 votes are needed to secure nomination); Taft 375 (He claims more than 400); Eisenhower 337; Stevenson 233; Uncommitted 163; Democrat (616 needed to nominate); Senator Kefauver 101%; Averell Harriman 92; Senator Russell 47; Uncommitted 287. —Reuter.

Price Of Petrol
Again Up

London, May 19.

British petroleum companies today announced further slight increases in the prices of their products due to rising transport and labour costs.

Motor and aviation spirit and oils will from today cost between a farthing and a penny more per gallon. The Government had already in its March budget raised the tax on petrol by 7½d to 2/6 per gallon, bringing the retail price up to about 4/6d.

The oil companies themselves last raised the price of their petrol by a farthing a gallon in December last year. —Reuter.

NEW YORK HONOURS PIPERS

New York, May 18.

Nine bagpipe bands skirled stirring airs and young ladies danced the Highland Fling last night in gallant tribute to two of Scotland's foremost pipers.

The event was staged by the United Pipe Bands Association of America to honour 73-year-old Scottish Pipe Major William Ross and his star pupil, John Burgess, 18. The youth and his teacher have just completed a tour of Canada, and are on their way back to Scotland.

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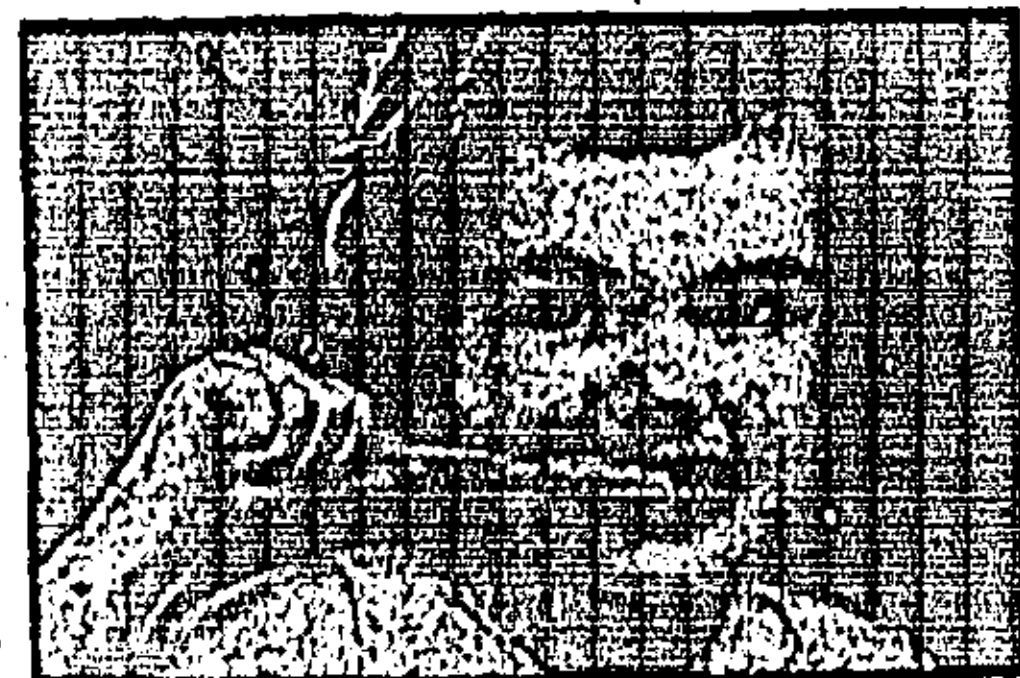
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BEVERLEY BAXTER'S LONDON COMMENT

The Tories Have Taken Some Drubbing

HARD pounding gentlemen, said Wellington, the rival guns at Waterloo thundered and spat fire. "We shall see who can pound the longest." I would not be surprised if Churchill says much the same thing to his ministers as the two sides at Westminster hurl salvo after salvo of fierce argument while the dark night gives way to a grisly dawn.

Whatever you may have thought of the Socialists in government I can assure you that they are an extremely vigorous opposition. I must be remembered that a party in power has a great advantage when it is defeated and forms an opposition. In colloquial terms it knows where the body is buried in every ministry.

I regret to have to inform you that the Tories have taken a certain amount of drubbing in their first nine months of office. Later in this article I shall tell you what they have done well, but at the moment it is the blunders that are holding our attention.

Sting is there

TAKE for example the case of Captain Crookshank, who was appointed Leader of the House and Minister of Health when Churchill formed his Government. Harry Crookshank served with the Guards in the first war and won distinction for bravery in the face of the enemy, but he looks like a sardonic poet and his voice can be blandly cutting. An opponent once described him as a wasp without a sting, but that is wrong. The sting is there and it hurts.

The leadership of the House requires tact, good humour, a genius for detail and a calm demeanour. Although a minister of the Government he must in arranging what is called "The Business of the Day" protect the rights of the minorities and maintain good relations with the opposition. In the war Sir Stafford Cripps was a hopeless leader of the House because he lectured us as if we were backward adolescents. By contrast Eden was a success at the job because he was conciliatory and recognised the rights of the opposition and even of the opponents who are always putting down resolutions and demanding a debate. In fact Eden nearly always had his own way by being so courteous that the others thought they were getting something.

Blunder

BUT now comes the astonishing psychological blunder in Crookshank's case. The Leader of the House must hold some other ministerial post that makes him a member of the Cabinet, and for some reason that no one can explain Churchill made Crookshank Minister of Health.

As you are aware Chancellor Butler decided to introduce changes in the National Health Service, the charges being such contentious measures as a pound for dental service, three pounds towards the cost of surgical fees, and a shilling per prescription. These alterations required a new Health Bill which Crookshank

not only had to prepare but steer through the House. Imagine the roar of fury that came from Aneurin Bevan and his followers. Here was a blasphemy—for were not the Conservatives tinkering with the monument that Bevan had raised to himself when he was the Minister of Health?

With a whoop of joy and simulated fury the Socialists forgot their own differences and mobilised for attack. Think how it would sound in the industrial districts in the North: "The Tories are giving income tax concessions to the rich and to make up for it they are taxing the cripples and children's teeth, and the poor old sick people who need medicine!"

Furious scenes

AT four o'clock in the afternoon Harry Crookshank, as Leader of the House, would be detailing the next week's business or explaining why such and such a motion could not be discussed, and an hour later as Minister of Health he would be standing in the ring toe to toe with his opponents exchanging punches that brought the claret. He conceded nothing. Personally I never liked the Bill for the simple reason that the amount of money saved to the Treasury would not balance the resentment which the opposition would stir up in the country. I agree that there must be some changes in the Health Service to keep its cost within limits, and like the other Tories I supported the Bill but we wished that the cripples had not been singled out.

There were furious scenes in some of the late sittings and Crookshank never stopped punching no matter how hard Bevan hit back.

Great fury

FINALLY the Government announced that it would use the guillotine to get the Bill through, and the Socialists worked themselves up to a great fury. The last debate ended at 8.15 in the morning and we streamed out to the public in broad daylight, a beautiful sight and an unusual one, a great city without people, a metropolis where traffic lights blinked at nonexistent motor cars, and even the ducks in Regent's Park had gone into hiding. "I do not want to labour the point about Crookshank but you will agree that it was bad psychology to create a Leader of the House where he has to act as a referee between both sides and then give him a Bill that brought these two sides into violent conflict."

But there were other blunders. As a Party the Conservatives have an historic distrust of publicly preferring to air their views in Parliament and on the public platform and leaving the press to deal with their speeches as they see fit. This is admirable up to a point, but unfortunately the study of public relations has become an intensive development in a modern society.

So we move to Blunder No. 2—big increase in London Transport fares. Under the Socialist Government, in their progress towards the ideal civilisation, rail and road transport was nationalised. With a mixture of wisdom and an instinct for survival the Socialists then decreed that there should

be a board of management to run each nationalised industry and that Parliament would not interfere with the day to day running. Also, if the workers demanded increased pay the matter would be referred to a tribunal. Thus did the Socialists wash their hands of direct responsibility.

While they were still in power the London Transport workers, and the workers on the national railways, asked for more pay and the matter was referred to the two appropriate tribunals. Churchill's Government subsequently came to power and in the month of March there were the important County Council elections in which the people would have the first chance to vote since the general election. Needless to say the political parties regard the County elections as supremely important, not merely from an executive point of view but as propaganda.

A week before this election the appropriate Tribunal announced an all round increase for the London Transport workers and a corresponding increase of fares. Clerks, factory workers, typists, civil servants, shop assistants, charlades, school teachers and all the teeming millions who use the bus or underground trains of London were confronted with a startling rise in the price of tickets.

Too late

WITH an utter lack of logic the storm centred on the Government. So this was back to Tory misrule again! Here was the nation once more under a "soak the poor" administration. As an M.P. for a London seat I was engulfed with protests from my hurt and puzzled constituents. No one doubted that the increase had been ordered by the Tory Minister of Transport, and the Socialists did nothing to enlighten the people.

But curiously enough neither did the Tories do any enlightening—not until four days had elapsed did the Minister of Transport declare in the House that the whole matter was outside his control, and that the system had been established by the Socialists. It was too late. The Minister might as well have told a hurricane to turn back. The country went to the polls and threw the Tory County Councils out in all directions. I was much pleased that in my own constituency the voters stood firm against the advancing tide but then Southgate is a peculiarly enlightened constituency.

Not the end

BUT the County Council election was not the end. Hardly had the Government picked itself up from the floor when the other Tribunal announced increased railway fares right across the country. This time the Minister of Transport explained at once that the Government was not responsible, an announcement which merely brought a shout of "Why not?"

And why not? There is no reason why we should regard the legislation perpetrated by the Socialists as holy writ. They had scuttled from the responsibility of running the nationalised industries but that was no reason for the Conservatives to do the same. This idea obviously struck Churchill who suddenly ordered

a standstill in the London and National cases. It was a dramatic thing to do, and was in keeping with his genius for going to the heart of a problem. But a standstill is not a solution, and the candles burned late at No. 10 as Churchill and his colleagues grappled with this inherited problem. Nor was the situation made easier by the nervous breakdown of Jack Maclean, the Minister of Transport. He is a fine man but has never been strong—and the first requisite for a modern politician is health.

Very critical

MEANWHILE the rank and file of the Conservative Party were becoming very critical. There was no disloyalty to Churchill but we thought that it was time that something was done about that matter of public relations. So Churchill came, to a secret conference with the private members and there was a lot of plain speaking. You will hardly expect me to say more than that.

As a result Churchill decided to create a super-publicity chief, a man in close touch with the Cabinet, someone who had held high office in previous governments and would understand just what would be the Tories about which. As a liaison officer between the Government and the Press he would watch the temperature chart of public opinion. And who was the genius chosen for this task? The 68-year-old Lord Swinton, a man of much elegance, some shrewdness, and the holder of important ministerial posts in post-war governments.

We wish Swinton well but how can a man of 68 become a publicity expert overnight? What does he know of the personalities from the proprietors and editors downwards who control Britain's newspapers? He may confound the doubters and prove once

Telling Tales Out Of School

By EDWARD CARRAN

I DON'T know very much about Comrade Karoly Schnitter, except that in Budapest he has become something of a hero—at least to some people. Hungarians are being urged to emulate his example.

You would expect that Schnitter had performed an act of bravery or some high service to the Hungarian Communist state. But to most of us living in the free world his activities would be viewed with great disfavour, even with repulsion.

How did Schnitter achieve fame? He betrays his boss, the Communist Party, in plain language, that means he is an "informant" either against his fellow workers or against his employers.

It was the Soviet Union which created the "Workers and Peasants' Correspondents' system, a vast "snooty" organisation which has now been introduced in all the satellite countries.

Newspapers in the Soviet-controlled Central and Eastern European states have been ordered to build up a network of workers' and village "correspondents" whose task it is to report inefficiency and opposition to the policy of the Communist authorities.

The enlistment of such "informers" is being pursued with special vigour in Hungary. And this brings us back to Comrade Schnitter, who is a worker in the State Casting Works for Industrial Arts, Budapest. Not long ago he wrote a letter to the newspaper, Szabad Nep, complaining about "certain revolting conditions in the works." Madame Terezi Laki, organiser of the newspaper's correspondence column, which received 39,408 letters of complaint in 1951, passed on Schnitter's report to the Communist Party's District Committee.

The Committee told Comrade Surmann, manager of the works, to remedy the faults complained of. Surmann, however, did not take kindly to this and set out to discover who had written the letter. When he learned that it was Schnitter, he promptly dismissed him.

As a good Communist, Schnitter felt he had a grievance. He immediately informed Szabad Nep of the punitive action against him, and, at the request of Madame Laki, the 13th District Committee of the Communist Party in Budapest investigated his case. The Committee promptly recommended that Surmann should be replaced.

Simultaneously, the Ministry of Foundry and Machine Industry instructed Comrade Keszkes to carry out an independent investigation. Let Szabad Nep continue the story.

"The investigation established the same facts, but Comrade Keszkes adopted a revealing attitude by declaring that the manager, Surmann, was not so important as to justify the dismissal of the manager of an undertaking. A manager cannot be spared so easily and it will not be easy to find someone to replace him." In other words, Comrade Keszkes was a heretic in a "People's Democracy."

Szabad Nep went on to say that the 13th District Committee had declared not only must Schnitter be taken back immediately by the works but that full "material and moral" compensation must be given.

At the same time the Communist Party Committee of the 8th District—the organisation of which the manager, Surmann, was a member—was urged to take disciplinary action against him, and it was also proposed that the Party organisation of the Ministry of Foundry and Machine Industry should institute disciplinary proceedings against Comrade Keszkes, whose compromising attitude had prompted the suppression of criticism. Szabad Nep concluded with these ominous words: "All those daring to suppress the just criticism of workers must be called to account firmly and severely."

Behind the "iron curtain" telling tales out of school has become a new virtue.

FOOD AND FUEL FAMINE CAN BECOME PLENTY

From GERALD SCHEFF

Essen (Germany). EVERY 24 hours a group of German scientists and industrial workers are taking from a network of water-filled, shallow trenches a green harvest that may soon produce unlimited quantities of food and fuel in a world short of both.

The scientists call this crop CHLORELLA—famously known as pond-scum. It is the green "slime" you can see on any stagnant water.

Said a British scientist: "I know about these Essen experiments. There are no limits to their possibilities."

"They could, in time, be the answer to every essential need—more beef cattle to cheapen food in your car."

For a long time it has been known that chlorella is a source

of the carbohydrates on which food and fuel supplies depend.

In Britain and the United States at least 15 university and industrial laboratories have been doing research into the "weed."

But this research has stayed in the test-tube stage because scientists have been intent on breeding specimens of chlorella free from any kind of bacteriological infection.

Tall, white-haired Dr. Fritz Gummert, a director of the gas and chemical concern here, says: "Times are too urgent for long-drawn-out laboratory experiments."

"If one-tenth of the man-hours spent in creating the first atom bomb were devoted to this research, the mass production of fats and proteins from quick-growing plants could be realised in a few years."

His scientists hope to produce all the plant proteins, fats, and vitamins which we already

get—at enormous cost sometimes—from slower, more erratic crops such as palm kernels and groundnuts.

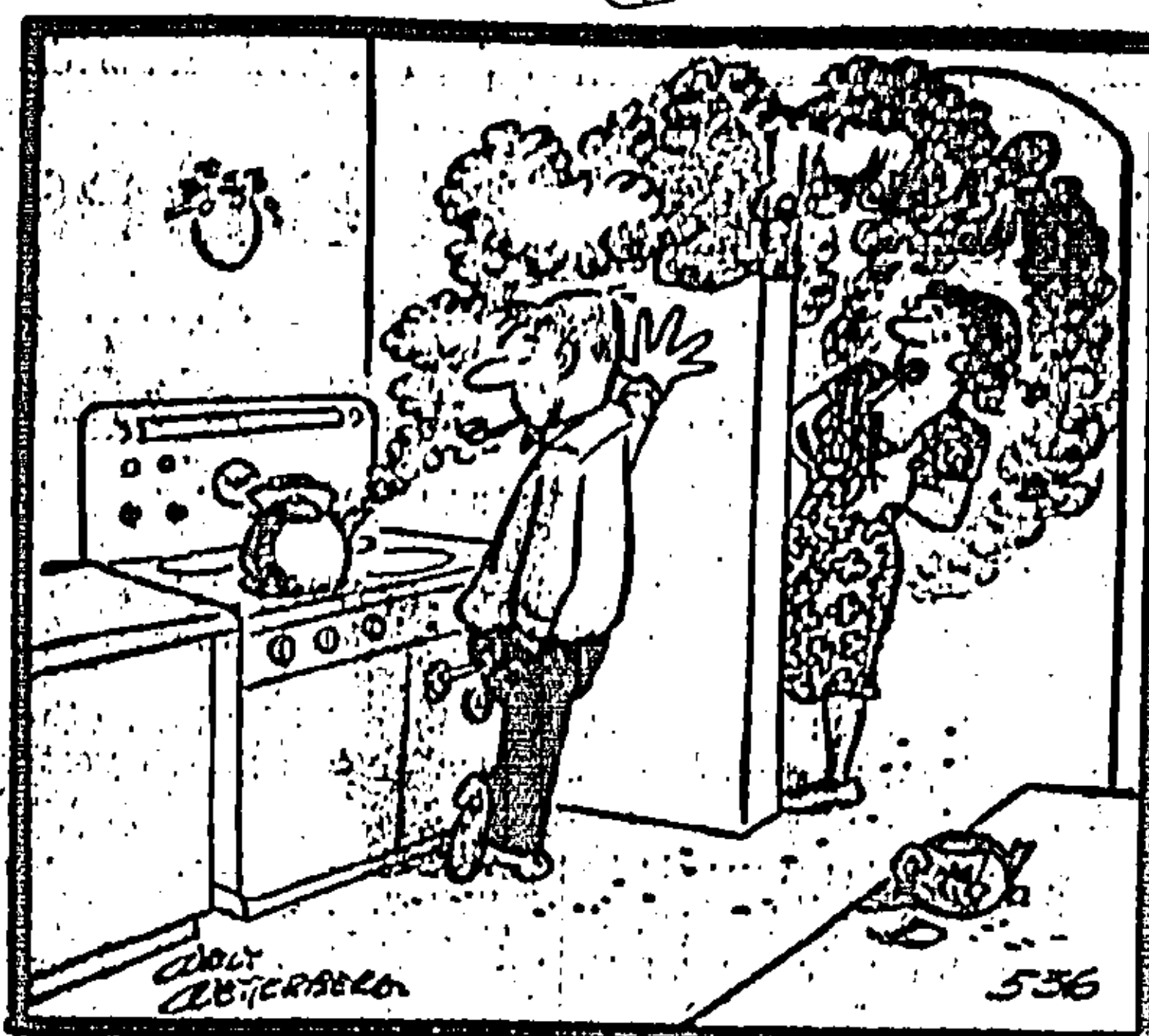
They are growing chlorella in the open air.

They use water, a few acres of ground, carbon dioxide exhaust gases from industrial plants that would otherwise be wasted—and the sun.

Chlorella is grown in trays of shallow trenches filled with two or three inches of warm water. The water is impregnated with carbon dioxide.

Dr. Gummert's team have already had from one stretch of land a yield at least eight times as rich in protein and fat content as from orthodox crops of carbohydrate-caring plants.

How much nearer to solving the world's protein, food, and energy problems are we? The answer is: "Some years of research are still needed."



"You making tea or inventing the steam engine?"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

READING of a young writer whose overcoat pockets "are usually stuffed with poems," I thought of Rilke, who, noticing a manuscript sticking out of the post Florian's pocket, said, "It one didn't know

Jack Turbot is not coming, after all

you, one would be inclined to say you."

The Ping-Pong gang

MR. PETER WILSON'S recent revelation of what goes on in the Ping-Pong world will probably make a number of players throw down their paddles and retire in a tantrum. The man who confessed his opponent by a system of mirrors left into his bat was drawn against Eric Hopthorne. Hopthorne was renowned for his back-breaks, which he managed very simply by attaching thin elastic to the ball when he was serving. Nobody could ever take his ball, and he was delighted to see the chagrined Hopthorne thought he saw two balls coming back at him. He laughed out and there was a tinkling of broken glass, as the ball met the net. The snapped elastic was picked up by

an interfering child, and both men were kicked out of the Senior Ping-Pong Club.

The Lots Road Burgee still flutters

She's the fastest hooker Between Galsway and Kinsale...

THUS chanted Mrs. Withersedge, as she sat on a battered bucket amidships. To reporters she said: "Call me Fanny Carlsen, for 'ere I stay on this scrap-heap until someone takes me to the cleaners. The sea must be in me blood, and I'm a old junk-shop and there's still room aboard for a few birds to build their nests. Last year our cat Nelson died in the Admiral's spare at which I'm more you could say for some craft I could name."

In passing

A CLERGYMAN is encouraging his people to interrupt his sermons when they disagree with what he is saying. He was delighted when a dozen men and women "talked back at him" one Sunday. There is a room in his pulpit for a question-master, and theologians like Mr. Beverley Nichols, the whole thing ought to go with a swing.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

MONDAY, MAY 19

BORN today, you will either have to disturb your love of pleasure, and emotional excitement or convert this energy into some constructive course. If you are to reach the heights to which your talents, by edict of the stars, little entitle you. Musical, dramatic, emotional and humorous, you might do well in the acting profession. But even in this, you would have to discipline yourself and learn to finish one job before turning to another. Your magnetic personality has a great deal of charm which sometimes quite unconsciously attracts people into your orbit quite against your intent. Since you are highly adaptable, socially, you might find that your gifts are being used in this direction rather than in a

career. This is particularly true of you women. If the life of a social butterfly is what you want—you are perfectly adapted to it. If you want a career—you can have that, too, with some serious attention to the stars. Both sexes must guard against a temperamental temperament which all too often displays itself in just plain temper. Quick to forgive, you will be happiest if you learn to count 70 before answering in wrath. Marriage to find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Your birthday star is your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MAY 20

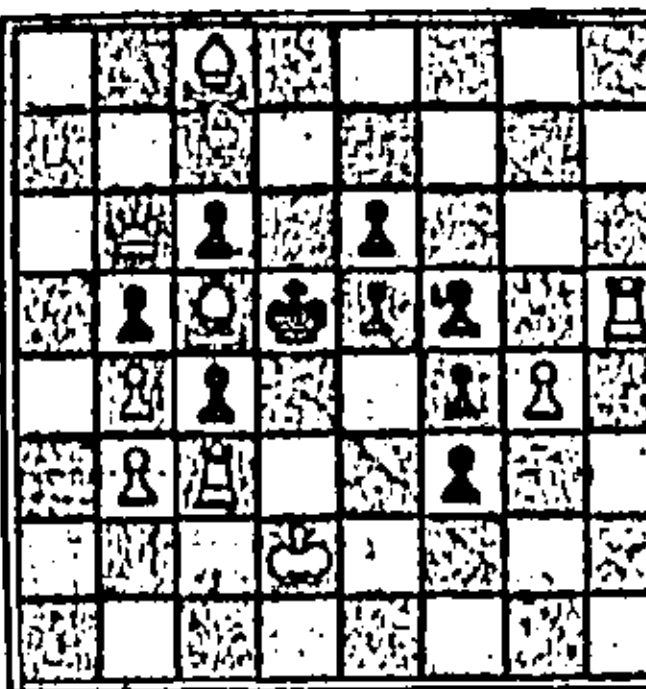
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21): Defend a friend who may be in difficulty. A word from you, perhaps, can change the whole aspect. GEMINI (May 22-June 21): Children may need your help, particularly with their studies. Give all possible aid now. CANCER (June 22-July 23): Forcing issues may merely lead to a colossal blunder. Think things over carefully before deciding. LEO (July 24-Aug. 23): You will get out of this day exactly

what you put into it. Work hard and results will be excellent. VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23): Visit your relatives. Do anything different. You need relaxation to make work more interesting. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23): A fine day to discover bargains. Go shopping and find the things you have been seeking. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23): Be alert to what is going on around you. Keep in touch with people who can help you. CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20): Don't carry a chip on your shoulder or talk about your troubles. Find a way to get out of them! AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19): A good day for finding exactly what you want for your summer wardrobe. Fine clothes often help. PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20): Get important work done early this morning so that when afternoon and evening come you can play. ARIES (March 21-Apr. 20): Don't put your faith in anything until you know all the facts. Scrutinize all details carefully.

CHESS PROBLEM

By W. HATSWELL

Black, 9 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play: mate in two.
Solution to Saturday's problem:
1. B-B2, 1... QP moves; 2. Q-R5 (ch); 1... B-Q3; 2. B-K1 (ch); 1... K-B6; 2. Q-R1; 1... B-R3; 2. B-K10; 1... others; 2. Q-R7.

DUMB BELLS

HOW DID YOU LIKE VENICE? WE DIDN'T STAY THE PLACE WAS FLOODED



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

You'll Be Ahead Looking for Spots

By OSWALD JACOBY

"VERY few players watch the spots carefully," Dick Kahn remarked to me recently. This wasn't exactly news to me, but I didn't interrupt because Dick looked like a man who had an interesting hand to talk about.

"Now here's a hand I played just the other day," Dick continued. "West opened a trump, and I won in dummy. I returned a club from dummy, and East won with the ten of clubs. That ten of clubs was a spot card that became forgotten later on."

"East returned the eight of hearts, I played the jack, and West won with the ace of hearts. West called the ace of clubs and then made the fatal error of returning a low heart. It was a fatal error, all right. West could have saved the day by making the correct return. Do you see how?"

West should have led a third club at the second trick. It is made clear that he did not have the nine of clubs. Hence the nine of clubs was clearly located in the South hand.

Careful thought would have made it clear that a third round of clubs would do nothing for declarer that he could not do for himself. In short, West could lose nothing by leading a third club, and he would gain the advantage of removing the nine of clubs from the South hand. South would then have to lead a spade trick no matter what he did.

When the hand was actually played, West returned a low heart, and Kahn won in his own hand with the king. He then ran all the rest of the tricks and cashed dummy's queen of hearts.

When dummy finally led the queen of hearts, everybody had to come down to three cards. East had his king, three spades and a high club left. What could he throw?

If he discarded the club, South's nine of clubs would become a winning card. So East had to discard the four of spades. Kahn threw the nine of clubs, saving three spades. West also kept three spades.

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WOMANSENSE

CARROT PUDDING

WASH AND SCOUR CARROTS. DON'T SCRUB THEM. SOAK IN SLIGHTLY SALTY WATER TILL TENDER, AND RUB THROUGH A FINE SIEVE.

IT WAS ONE OF GRANNIE'S FAVORITES

CREAM '402

MIX WITH CASTOR SUGAR AND AN EGG-YOLK BEAT WELL.

AND THEN MIX IN...

'402 FRESH BRADDOCK'S

2 TEASPOON CINNAMON 202 GLACE CHERRIES CUT IN QUARTERS AND THE CARROT PULP

WITH A LEMON

STIR IN VERY LIGHTLY THE STIFFLY WHISKED EGG-WHITE

AND STEAM IN A WELL GREASED PUDDING BASIN 2 HOURS

Summer Afternoon



GREY linen has been smartly worked into a beauty of a dress for general afternoon wear. Grey and white is a particularly attractive colour team and this one has white banding on the notched cape collar and for the pockets. The snug bodice closes with three buttons above a full, self belt. A kick pleat allows for ease in the otherwise straight skirt.

A GENTLE TOUCH FOR EYE AREA

By HELEN FOLLETT

DO you know that your eyelids play a part in making your "soul" windows eloquent and lovely? The manner of their behaviour can make the eyes expressive or otherwise. They lift in surprise, they drop shyly, maybe give a little flutter now and then. They seem to have a good-sized bag of tricks and you probably know them all.

The settings of the eyes should be of firm flesh and healthy colouring. In youth they are like that. If the beauty-seeker knows her lessons, acts upon them, they will stay like that. If she burns the candle at both ends, doesn't get enough sleep, the eye-frames may take on tiny lines or swell slightly. So watch out, there's no sense creating good-looking eyes.

When putting cream on your precious complexion, be gentle when working close to your eyes. This area has tiny, delicate fibres that will not endure rough treatment. Encircle the eyes with a creamed finger, do light tapping. If they are tired, follow along

with an ice cold compress to start the blood streams marching...

If you have never played with eye shadows, why not experiment with them? Worn in the evening, when the lights are low, they impart a charming, mysterious, come-hither look. One must, however, be restrained in this good-looking venture. A little pigment goes a long way; too much will make your eyes look like burnt holes in a blanket.

A light touch is needed when you apply eye cream. Work it gently into the tissues with feathery, rhythmic tapping.

The most popular colour is a faint blue which creates a background from which the eyes shine forth. Place it along the line of the lashes, extending it slightly beyond the far terminal of the eye. Let the colouring do a fadeaway as you press it upward.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. and Mrs. Punch Disagree

—It's About the Best Way to Make Homemade Bread—

By MAX TRELL

MR PUNCH'S wife was named Judy. And though they loved each other dearly and wouldn't for a minute have allowed anyone to say that they didn't, still they often argued with each other. Sometimes they argued so loudly that the whole house shook with their voices. Now and then Judy banged with a rolling-pin, or threw a pie-plate. And then Mr Punch stamped on the floor, or jumped up and down so wildly that it looked as if he were going to fly apart.

But none of this really meant anything, of course. It was only that they couldn't agree about something or other. Mr Punch would say you did it this way. Judy would say no, you did it that way. And by and by they were shouting and yelling and banging and jumping.

Early in Morning

It was quite early in the morning when Knarf and Hand, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, heard Mr Punch saying: "But Judy—listen to me—that ISN'T the way to do it!"

Then they heard Judy's voice answering: "Mr Punch—you know nothing about this at all. THIS is the way to do it!"

The banging and jumping was just starting when Knarf and Hand ran into the kitchen to see what the argument was about.

They found Judy mixing a big pan of dough. She was making bread. But at this moment she stopped mixing the dough and took to banging the rolling-pin on the table. Mr Punch sprang up and down.

"The first thing he did was to stuff a dozen cakes of yeast in the dough. 'It will be light as a feather,' he smiled. 'I love homemade bread to be as light as a feather.'"

Judy's Warning

"Better lock all the doors and windows first," warned Judy.

Knarf and Hand didn't know what to say about all this. Neither of them knew anything about making bread. But presently Judy said: "Mr Punch, YOU make the bread!"

"Fine," said Mr Punch. Judy sat down in a kitchen chair and folded her arms over her chest to wait and see how Mr Punch made the homemade bread.

She may be Mistress of the White House



Mrs Kefauver (right) in a picture from her old nurse's album. Here Mrs Kefauver, daughter of Sir Stephen Pigott, is bridesmaid at her sister's wedding. Mrs Kefauver designed the wedding gown—and liked it so much she wore it at her own wedding a few months later.

Mrs Kefauver's nurse

HOME from the United States is Miss Margaret McRae, the Scots "nanny" who brought up Mrs Nancy Kefauver, wife of the Senator now campaigning for the Democratic nomination in the Presidential election.

Miss McRae stayed with Mrs Kefauver in Washington and New York. She reports that Mrs Kefauver is working tirelessly in her husband's campaign.

It is more than 40 years since Miss McRae became nursemaid to the first wife of Sir Stephen Pigott, the American born shipbuilder who settled in Glasgow and became boss of the great shipping concern of John Brown. She looked after Sir Stephen's four daughters and one son.

Green eyes. Mrs Kefauver is the eldest daughter. She is 41—"a beautiful woman," says Miss McRae, "with reddish-golden hair, green eyes, the figure of a young girl, and an unfailingly kind disposition."

Her home in Washington is unpretentious. There the Kefauvers' three daughters (and their adopted son) have more freedom than most English children, but are unspoiled.

Miss McRae has many memories of Mrs Kefauver's Scottish childhood. As young Nancy Pigott she attended Park School in Glasgow (an undenominational academy); she went to Glasgow School of Art from 1928 to 1932. She won a diploma for mural decoration and went to Paris for a year to study painting.

As a child she was "never in a bad temper, always cheerful," recalls Miss McRae. "She is just the same today."

Miss McRae well remembers Nancy's marriage. It took place 17 years ago in the Pigott home in Kensington Gate, Kew. From this two-storey house, Nancy used to go to school by tram. Sir Stephen has now sold the house.

He is a Roman Catholic, but his late wife—the present Lady Pigott—was not. His children were not brought up as Catholics. Nancy's marriage to Mr Kefauver was performed by a Minister of the Church of Scotland.

(London Express Service)

Tomato Paste, A Standby For Many A Dish

By ALICE DENHOFF

LATELY we've been making much and good use of a real old time fare, tomato paste. One day there was no tomato juice in the house. So we used one tin of tomato paste, plus 3 tins of water and 1/2 tsp. each salt and sugar, and came up with a nice pitcher of tomato juice that was economical to boot.

A friend who likes to evolve good dishes that are light on the budget worked out a meatless rice roast that really fooled the boys. Served with a thick brown sauce, it is chuck full of proteins and it is so hearty, so tasty that you'd never know it doesn't have a morsel of meat in it.

Brown Rice
Mix thoroughly 2 c. cooked brown rice, 2 c. whole wheat bread crumbs or ground toast, one c. ground salted peanuts, 1/4 c. ground pimiento, 2 tsp. each ground onion, green pepper, 2 tsp. tomato paste and 4 beaten eggs. Shape mixture into a large loaf or individual loaves. Bake at 350 F. for 35 min. Serve with barbecue sauce.

To prepare this tangy mixture add 1/2 c. chopped onion to 1/2 c. butter; cook until onions are soft. Add 1/2 cup paprika, 1/4 tsp. pepper, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup dry mustard, 1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce, 1/4 c. tomato paste and 1/2 cup cider vinegar. Stir mixture for 10 min. Yield: 1 1/3 c.

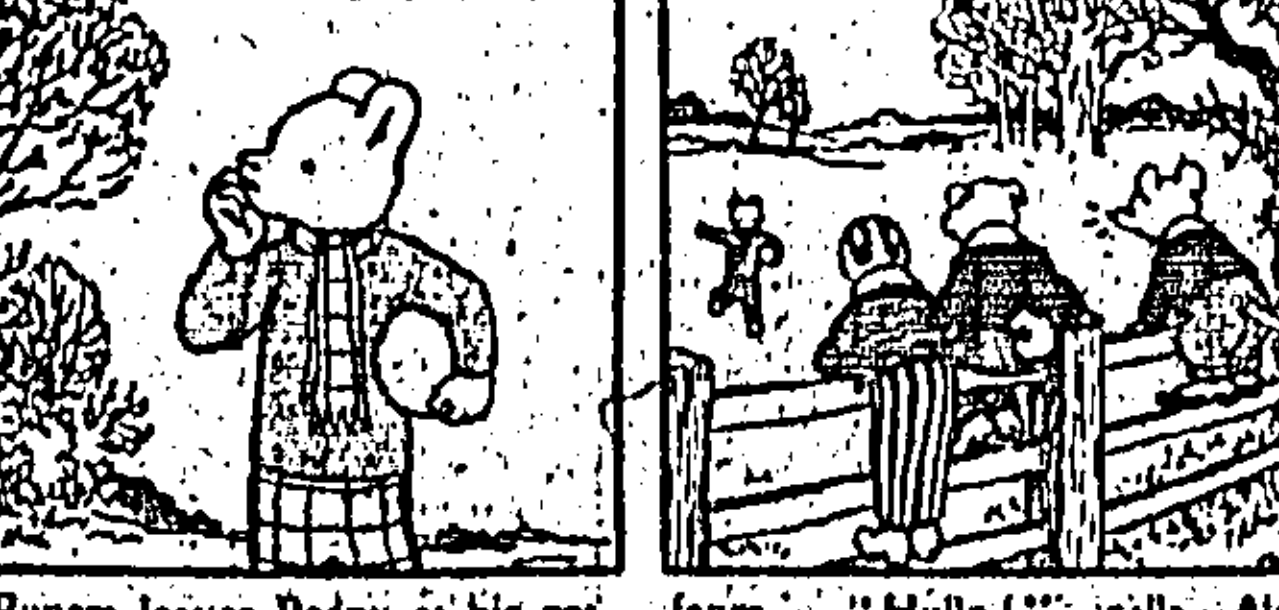
A spaghetti supper can be fun and it's a nice and inexpensive way of entertaining for a kitchen party. But the sauce should be different, exciting. Just try this one on for size. Topped with plenty of grated cheese, and accompanied by the perfect partners, tossed green salad and garlic bread, it's good!

For 2 1/2 c. sauce chop 3 medium-sized onions, and brown in 2 tsp. butter. 2 tsp. olive oil or meat drippings. Add 1 1/2 c. tin tomato paste, 2 oz. tin anchovy fillets (diced), 1/2 tsp. chopped parsley, 1/4 tsp. each thyme, salt, white pepper. Simmer for 15 min. Add 1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce, 1/4 c. water, 1/4 c. grated Parmesan cheese.

Rich Egg Dish
For a substantial, quite rich egg dish, try this one for size. Cut in lengthwise 12 hard-cooked eggs. Remove yolks and mash. Add 2 tsp. nippy cheese spread, 1 1/2 tsp. tomato paste, 2 tsp. minced green pepper and 1 1/2 tsp. minced onion. Stuff the whites with this mixture. Or chop whites fine and add to mixture to make a spread for 5 sandwiches or for canapés. Serve the stuffed eggs on a bed of greens, topped with mayonnaise, as a salad.

If you have a tablespoon or so of tomato paste, left in the tin, add three or four mayonnaise as you have tomato paste, a few grains of chili powder and a few drops of tabasco—and presto—a zingy new salad dressing.

Rupert and the Toy Scout—20



Rupert leaves Podgy at his cottage and walks thoughtfully away. The Toy Scout said that Santa Claus had far too much work nowadays. I wish we could help in some way," he murmurs. "I wonder where my pals have gone. All at once he sees three of them have met and are resting on a

RUPERT and the WRONG PRESENTS



"Hello!" calls Algy. "We've been looking for multicolour, but we can't find any." "Oh, but I have," cries Rupert. "It's near the road to Robin Down, a name that Santa Claus will be coming into Nurwood from

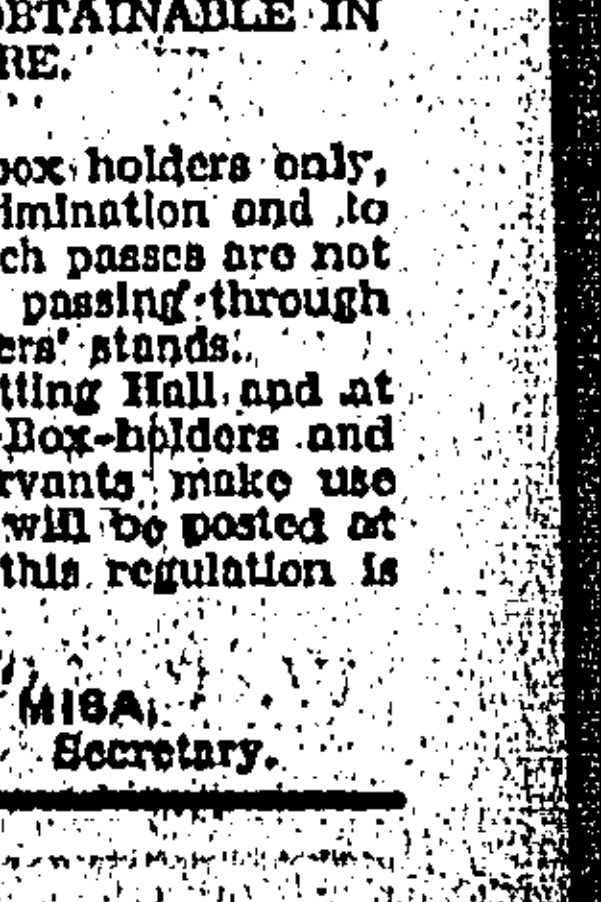
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G. "BELLEROPHON"	do	31st May
G. "CYCLOPS"	do	10th June
G. "PELEUS"	do	17th June
G. "ANTIOCHUS"	do	23rd June
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are hereby notified that their cargo

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Complex, where it will be at

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Wharf's terms and condition of stor-

age, and where delivery may be

obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left

in the godown for examination by

Consignees and the Company's sur-

veyors, Messrs. Gossard & Co. at 10

a.m. on the 21st May, 1952.

To comply with the General Bonded

Warehouse Regulations, consignees

must have a Revenue Officer in

attendance when damaged dutiable

goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after

the goods have left the steamer's

godown, and all goods remaining

undelivered after the 24th May, 1952,

will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must

be presented to the Underwriter on

or before the 31st May, 1952, or they

will not be recognised.

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By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

Huh! SOMETHIN'—HIT THE GROUND

—RIGHT THERE! BUT I CAN'T SEE

—NOTHIN'!

—HIT MY HEAD—ON

SOMETHIN'—BUT

NOTHIN'S THERE!

WHAT THE—IT'S THE GUY

WHO BROKE

OUTA THE

PEN WITH ME.

WHERE'D HE

COME FROM?

IN A FLASH, THE HYPNOTIC

SPELL IS BROKEN. THE

UNCONSCIOUS MANDRAKE

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The Female Of

The Species!

Tokyo, May 18.

The Police at a town

near here say that they

have caught a woman

street-robbler in the act.

The woman, an attractive

19-year-old, trapped

along the street in high-

heeled shoes.

She beckoned to a

strongly-built 30-year-old

man.

When he moved to her

she took off one shoe,

tapped him smartly over

the head with the hard

heel, and calmly removed

his watch as he lay un-

conscious.—Reuter.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG

JOCKEY CLUB

THE MAY HALF-YEARLY

GENERAL MEETING OF

VOTING MEMBERS will be

held at the Club House,

Happy Valley, on Wednesday,

28th May 1952, at 5.45 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are

cordially invited to attend

and participated in any

discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,

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Secretary.

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AUDIENCE

Vatican City, May 18.

More than 30,000 people

cheered Pope Pius XII tonight

as he was carried shoulder-

high into St. Peter's Basilica

to pay homage to a newly

beatified nun.

The ceremony of beatification,

raising the nun to the first stage

on the road to formal recogni-

tion as a saint, was performed

in the Basilica this morning.

The nun, Raffaella Porras y

Ayllon, whose religious name

was Mother Raffaella Maria,

founded the teaching order of

the Handmaids of the Sacred

Heart.

Pope Pius gave an impromptu

general audience on the steps of

St. Peter's before he entered the

Basilica to venerate the newly

beatified nun.

The Pope learned that a crowd

of 10,000 was thronging the

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Baggage Room and Hold Baggage will be registered at Kowloon Godown No. 50 (No. 2 Gate, Canton Road entrance) on the 22nd May between 2 and 5 p.m. and on the 23rd May between 9 a.m. and Noon.

No baggage will be registered after the times indicated above.

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Textile Trade's
Hopes

New York, May 17.
The dullness in the cotton goods market this week was relieved to some degree by expressions of hope among industry leaders that a turn in the 14-month-long depression might be at hand.

Mr. Charles C. Hertwig, President of the American Cotton Manufacturers Institute, voiced the idea at the institute's third annual meeting when he said that the industry had gone through its "blackest days" and that an adjustment between supply and demand was now closer to reality. —United Press.

Aluminium
From U.S.

Washington, May 18.
The Commerce Department has announced that commercial exports of 1,078,000 pounds of aluminium had been licensed against the third quarter export quota.

The licensed exports are for 31 countries.
The Department said this leaves 112,000 pounds of aluminium still to be licensed against 1,100,000 pounds set aside for regular commercial exports.
The remainder will be licensed for exports of specially designed products usually made to special order for the military, for example, for the production of aircraft parts. —United Press.

EXCESS PROFITS LEVY

Critics Of Measure Still Not Satisfied

Japanese Views On
China Trade
Serious Objection To The
Choice Of Base Years

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Osaka, May 18.
Two Leftist Socialist leaders said today that Japan should trade with all countries of Asia, including Red China, if it hopes to stand on its own feet.

Hirao Wada and Seichi Katsumata, both top-ranking members of the Leftist Socialist Party, revealed their views to the Press after conferring with economic leaders in Osaka yesterday.

They could not agree with the idea that resumption of trade with Communist China may lose American sympathy and aid to Japan as long as some measures are worked out which will enable Japan to export to Red China non-strategic materials such as spinning machines.

Their party, therefore, was hoping to hold an Asian Economic Conference to accelerate trade with Red China, they concluded. —France-Press.

BURMA VENTURE

Rangoon, May 18.
A group of Japanese and Burmese merchants and industrialists have formed a private company called the Japan-Burma Economic Corporation.
S. Kokubu, representing the Japanese industrialists, said that Japan would first supply it with two schooners and later with ocean-going vessels.
This is the first Burmese enterprise in navigation and much interest is being shown in it by Burmese business circles. —France-Press.

Chile Mine
Suspends
Operations

Antofagasta, Chile, May 18.
The big American-owned copper mine near here suspended operations yesterday as the result of Chile's cancellation of its copper treaty with the United States.

The police said the management of the Chuquibambilla Mine, operated by an affiliate of the Anaconda Copper Company, was ordered to shut down when agents of Chile's Central Bank arrived to take charge of ores awaiting export.

Chile recently cancelled the treaty requiring it to sell 80 per cent of its copper output to the United States for 27½ cents per pound, apparently hoping to force up prices.
Communications to Chuquibambilla were paralysed for a fortnight earlier this month by a strike. Miners returned to work on Tuesday.

Earlier, it had been announced in Santiago that imports of foreign films were suspended until September, possibly in anticipation of United States boycott of Chilean copper that would increase Chile's already serious dollar deficit. —United Press.

Rubber Futures
In Spore

Singapore, May 17.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:
Number 1 rubber, per lb. 80½-81
June 80½-81
July 80½-81
August 80½-81
Number 2 rubber, per lb. 77-78
June 77-78
July 77-78
August 77-78
Blank crepe, per lb. 110-115
No. 1 pale crepe, per lb. 110-115
—United Press.

QUIET TREND IN
GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, May 17.
Prices of grain futures were quiet and steady. Exporters said that foreign demand for U.S. grain remained inactive although there were indications that Germany may soon buy North American rice.
Wheat futures closed ¼ to 1 higher. Corn was ¼ to ½ higher and soybeans ¼ to 1-½ lower. —United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:
U.S. dollar (per \$1) 8.61
Sterling note (per £1) 15.80
Swiss franc (per 100) 91.00
Singapore dollar (per 100) 91.00
Hong Kong dollar (per 100) 12.00
—United Press.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer's amendments to the sections of the Finance Bill dealing with the Excess Profits Levy have been welcomed in business circles as a means of removing some of the anomalies and injustices of the Bill as originally drafted. But the main objections to the Levy remain unanswered.

Criticism, mainly from within the Conservative Party, has been concentrated on three main issues. First, there are serious objections to the choice of base years on which "standard" profits are to be computed. As the Bill stands a company's standard profits are taken as the average of those earned in the years 1947 to 1949. Profits above this level will be chargeable under the Excess Profits Levy at a rate of 30 per cent.

An alternative method of calculating standard profits—by reference to paid-up share capital—is open to companies whose profits during any of the three base years were unduly low.

Chief objection to these three base years is that they were for many companies years of reconstruction and reorganisation following their conversion back to peacetime production. Moreover, they include a year—1941—in which many industries were partially paralysed by the effects of a fuel crisis.

Mr. Butler, in his Budget speech, said that he was not prepared to bring into the average the profits of 1950, still less those of 1951, because profits in both those years were "inflated by the events following the outbreak of war in Korea."

Nevertheless a formidable case has been built up against the choice of base years. It has been pointed out, in answer to Mr. Butler's objection to extending the base period beyond 1949, that profits measured in pre-devaluation Pounds—that is to say, those earned before September 1949—have little relevance to profits expressed in post-devaluation Pounds.

One way of remedying this, it has been suggested, would be to include 1950 as one of the base years. A number of amendments to this effect have been tabled, and will be considered when the Excess Profits Levy proposals are discussed in Parliament during the committee stage of the Finance Bill this week.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS.
The other two major criticisms of the Levy concern the special position of investment trusts and rubber-producing companies. Neither of these has been dealt with in the Chancellor's amendments.

Under the present proposals the income of an investment trust will be subject to double taxation while in the case of rubber-producing companies standard profits will be based on average earnings during a period when most companies were still recovering from the effects of wartime occupation by the Japanese and the price of rubber was artificially depressed. Despite these shortcomings, however, the concessions granted by the Chancellor go some way towards removing some of the more glaring anomalies of the original proposals.

One of the most important of these concerns companies whose profits derived from wasting assets. Thus metal, oil and asbestos producing companies qualify for relief under a new clause whereby an increase in normal profits, resulting from a rise in output "essential to the national interest" will not be liable to taxation under the Excess Profits Levy.

Effect of this clause will be to exempt companies from the Excess Profits Levy where they have increased output above the standard period provided the rate of profit on the increase is no higher than the "normal" rate.

PROMISE FULFILLED.
But where a company's profits have been increased because of a rise in the price of its product, the difference between the actual rate and the standard rate of profit will still be subject to the Excess Profits Levy.
This concession is apparently designed to prevent businesses producing minerals, which are needed either for rearmament or for the purpose of correcting our balance-of-payments position from being deterred from expanding output because of the Excess Profits Levy.

Another amendment gives effect to the Chancellor's promise to introduce a third method of calculating standard profits.
Thus companies will be allowed to base their standard profits on capital employed in the business rather than on paid-up share capital. They may now opt to take eight per cent of the excess of their assets over liabilities at the end of 1949 as an alternative standard.

This amendment also deals with the objection to the treatment of borrowed money under the original proposals. In the Bill as it stands, borrowed money is not treated as part of capital, although interest on it is allowed as a deduction from standard profits.

Effect of the amendment will be to give an extra allowance on borrowed money at the rate of four per cent per annum. This means that if a loan bears five per cent interest the allowance will be nine per cent, or only one per cent less than the allowance on share capital.

Yet another amendment put down by the Chancellor has the effect of excluding about one-third of all companies liable for Excess Profits Levy under the original terms of the Bill. It now proposes that the minimum standard be raised from £2,000 to £5,000, which means that thousands of small businesses will be relieved of all liability.

These amendments, welcome though they are, go only a short way towards meeting the many criticisms that have been aimed at the Levy, particularly by members of the Chancellor's own party.

The proof of the feeling within the Conservative Party that the Excess Profits Levy is riddled with anomalies is the fact that 37 pages of amendments have been put down by private members, most of them Government supporters.

But objections to the Levy go even deeper than the number of amendments suggests. There is a widespread feeling that the Levy is fundamentally wrong, both in principle and practice. The "Financial Times," which reflects the opinion of the vast majority of businessmen in this matter, has therefore campaigned for total abolition of the Excess Profits Levy.

The Chancellor's amendments, it says, "do nothing to meet the over-riding criticism that the Excess Profits Levy is a tax on enterprise, efficiency and growth and as such should find no place in the country's tax system."

Wall St.
Unperturbed
By Decline

New York, May 18.
Prices declined in fractions to more than a point on the Stock Exchange this week in one of the fullest periods since 1949. All departments joined in the sell-off.

Oil equities were the hardest hit. Some volatile issues in this group showed wide declines. Rails also met some neglect. Utilities generally were neglected, and finished practically unchanged.

Despite the decline, Wall Street quarters are not alarmed because of the small volume. The market started the week on a mixed note and strengthened on Tuesday but short duration.

In the latter part of the week, investors definitely decided to lighten their holdings somewhat. Oil shares were exceptions to the trend in the latter part of the week.

Steels continued to be big news in the business world. While the Supreme Court is working on the case of the steel mills against the Government seizure, the rate of steel production stepped up nearly to the level before the steel wage problem brought confusion.

One favourable development in the steel situation was the fact that damage resulting from the fast shut-down by the steel workers' walk-out is not as bad as at first estimated. As a result, the companies pushed operations to nearly 101 per cent of rated capacity, a jump-off of 18 points from the level of a week before.

Elsewhere on the business front the motor-car industry held to high schedules during the week and prepared to expand them. Employment in employed workers is forecast in Michigan as a result of the removal of the credit restrictions.

Despite some favourable corporate developments this week, investors continued to centre their attention on a large number of the first-quarter earnings reports which were lower in most instances. Market experts expect the market to move slightly higher this week. —United Press.

HONGKONG
SHARE
MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

The Stock Exchange started off the week with a slow session this morning, only \$144,505 worth of shares changing hands. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
BANKS
JHK Bank 1370
East Asia 140

INSURANCES
Union 750
Underwriters 5.00 2.00

DOCKS, ETC.
K. Wharf 6.00
K. P. Wharf 6.00 5.00
K. D. Wharf 6.00 5.00
Dock 16.00
Wholesale 41½ 500 41½

LAND, ETC.
JHK Hotel 120-745
JHK Land 43

UTILITIES
Tian 4-18.80 14.10 1300-16
Star Ferry 2.15 4.30
C. Light (Q) 2.15 4.30
C. Light (O) 2.15 4.30
Electric 2.15 4.30
Telephone 16.00 1000-15

INDUSTRIALS
Cement 14.20 14.50
Steel 14.20 14.50
Dairy 10.20
Watson 21 150 21.10
Wattson 21 33½
COTTONS
Ewo 2 2.15 2300 2

Taiwan Plan
For Disposal
Of Aid Fund

Taipei, May 18.
The Nationalist government has asked for Washington approval to spend the balance, amounting to US\$13,000,000, of economic aid funds for fiscal 1951-52 on the purchase of industrial materials and equipment for Formosa. It was officially revealed today.

United States economic aid for Formosa for fiscal 1951-52 amounted to US\$178,700,000. However, about US\$13,000,000 out of this money has not been used due to various reasons.

The Nationalist government, with the assistance of American aid organisations here, has mapped out plans for the use of the balance. The Chinese plan to dispose of the money before fiscal 1953 sets in on July 1 this year.

Under the Nationalist plan, which has already been relayed to Washington, more than half of the \$13,000,000 would be used in the purchase of power generators, cotton, industrial raw materials and other equipment.

Power plant equipment purchase is high on the Nationalist list primarily due to a shortage of power which is retarding industrial progress. —United Press.

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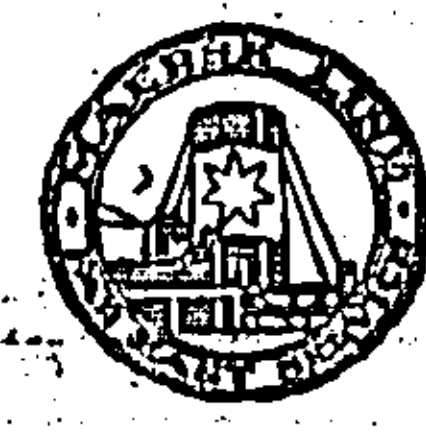
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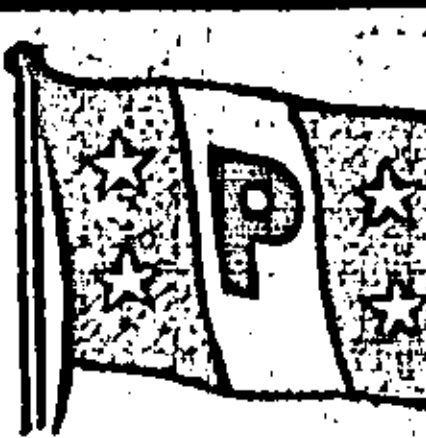
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